REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 5-12 were presented for reconsideration on 1/25/2005. The Office Action states that:

(a) Claims 6-7 and 10-12 were withdrawn from consideration. (See page 2 of the Office Action.)

(b) Claims 1-3, 5, 8 and 9 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent No. 5,367,768 ("Weems"). (See pages 2-4 of the Office Action.)

Claims 1-3, 5 and 8-10 are presented for reconsideration by this RCE. Claims 1 and 10 have been amended. Claims 4, 11 and 12 are canceled. Claims 6 and 7 are withdrawn.

Claim 1 is amended to point out that the grooves are partially defined by convexed surfaces, which is discussed in the specification at page 5, lines 4-5, and shown in Figure 5 at lead line 44. Claim 10 is amended to depend from Claim 5. Claim 10 is supported by Figures 4 and 5. It is respectfully submitted that these amendments do not present "new matter" into the application.

It is respectfully submitted that Claims 1-3 and 5-10 are patentable. Accordingly, allowance of these claims is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required by 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 as a result of this Reply to Deposit Account No. 50-0947.

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